TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1485 - HB 1502

January 22, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Deletes the requirement for real or personal property owners claiming exemption to file a separate exemption application for each parcel of property. Removes the requirement of county property assessors to forward a report of each and every change made in the assessment by a county board of equalization (CBOE) to the State Board of Equalization (SBOE).

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Education, this legislation will alter the process for the department to obtain exemption status; however, any fiscal impact to the department is estimated to be not significant.
- Any impact to state and local government resulting from changes in filing processes in property tax exemption applications is estimated to be not significant.
- Based on information provided by the Comptroller of the Treasury (COT), 968 property exemptions applications were filed with the SBOE in 2017.
- This analysis assumes allowing applicants to file one application for multiple parcels will result in a 50 percent decrease in applications.
- Based on information provided by COT, a reduction in applications will not result in any decrease in data entry; as data regarding individual parcels will still need to be recorded. Any fiscal impact to the COT is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-1414, the individual property records of a CBOE are required to show all actions taken by a CBOE that result in a change in classification, value, or assessment of any parcel of property.
- Any impact to state or local government resulting from removing the requirement for CBOEs to forward all records to the SBOE is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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